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RE: docket #98N-1230; 96P-0418; 97P-0197

I am writing to express my strong support of the petition to ban the forced molting of layer hens (docket #'s above). Forced molting is horridly cruel to the birds and increases the risk of Salmonella poisoning to humans. The FDA has the responsibility to ban practices that harm human health; it is not enough to put bacteria warning labels on egg cartons. For the sake of the innocent sentient beings who suffer directly from this barbaric process, as well as for the human beings who suffer indirectly, please ban forced molting without further delay.

Sincerely,

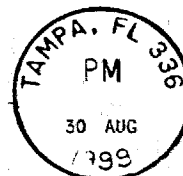
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